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APPENDIX.

Rules for the formation of Standing Advisory Boards for recommending the release of long term prisoners confined in Jails.

The Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore are pleased to appoint Standing Advisory Boards, one at Bangalore and another at Mysore to investigate and report on the sentences of the prisoners confined, respectively, in the Central Jail, Bangalore, and the District Jail, Mysore.

2. The Advisory Board in Bangalore shall consist of—

The Inspector-General of Prisons (Chairman).

The Sessions Judge, Bangalore Division.
A Non-official Member appointed by Government. } Members.

The Superintendent, Central Jail, Bangalore, will be Secretary to the Board.

At Mysore the Board shall consist of:—

The Inspector-General of Prisons (Chairman).

The Sessions Judge, Mysore Division.
A Non-official Member appointed by Government. } Members.

The Superintendent, Mysore Jail, will act as Secretary.

3. The term of office of each Non-official Member will ordinarily be fixed at three years.

4. Each Board shall sit at least once in six months and consider the cases of all prisoners who have had not more than one conviction and who satisfy the following conditions:

(*a*) that the prisoner has served two-thirds of his sentence including remissions; and further,

(*b*) that he has served not less than two and a half years including remission, and submit early recommendations with a view to the release of as many of this class as can be released without injury to the community.

5. To enable the Advisory Boards to judge the fitness of prisoners for release, it is necessary in every case that the judgment of the Court, full and accurate details of the prisoners, previous history and his prison record, should invariably be placed before them. This duty will devolve on the Superintendent of the Jail in his capacity as Secretary to the Board, but the Police and the District Magistrate should render him every assistance in collecting the information. The Boards should also consult officers of the Prisoners' Aid Society, if any, on the arrangements which may be practicable for the supervision of the prisoner's after-life.

6. The Superintendent of the Jail concerned will send up the necessary records of each case to the Police who will collect full and accurate details of the prisoner's previous, history, etc., and return the papers with the information to the Superintendent of the Jail as early as practicable.

7. Each case of a prisoner recommended for conditional release should be submitted separately with a covering sheet in the form annexed to this order, which should contain the full police history as well as other details ending with the recommendation of the Board. The judgment and the jail papers relating to the convict should be sent with the sheet so that each case may be self-contained.

8. The recommendation of the Board will specify the period during which the convict is to be on probation which shall in no case exceed the unexpired portion of the original sentence, but may be less in cases of exceptional good conduct and service.

9. Prisoners who are conditionally released should ordinarily pass a period of probation during which their fitness for final release can be tested. During this period the prisoner should be under the supervision of a probation or Parole Officer, whose duty it will be to see that the conditions of release are not broken and to give the prisoner any protection, assistance or advice he may need. Where a Discharged

Prisoners' Aid Society can undertake this work, it should be asked to do so. Where it cannot, the District Magistrate himself should undertake the work. He may make use of the services not only of private persons, but also of Government servants other than those belonging to the Police Department, such as Sub-Registrars and Officers of the Co-operative and Industries and Commerce Departments. These agents of the District Magistrate should be brought into touch with the Discharged Prisoners' Aid Societies, if any, in the district, and should be encouraged to send to that Society periodical notes about a prisoner's behaviour. If at any time it should be necessary to bring to notice the fact that a prisoner is relapsing into crime, and that action by the District Magistrate is called for, communication should be made direct to the District Magistrate.

ANNEXURE.

FORM OF CONDITIONAL RELEASE.

Convict No.

Name.

Name of Village, Taluk and District.

Court by which prisoner was convicted and Case Number.

Section of the I. P. C. or other law under which convicted.

Date of sentence.

Period of sentence.

Date on which prisoner completed two-thirds of his sentence.

Where the prisoner intends to stay, if released.

Unexpired portion of sentence on date of Boards' recommendation.

Full Police history with recommendation of District Superintendent of Police.

Remarks of the Superintendent of the Jail on the conduct of the convict while in prison.

Recommendation of the Advisory Board, with detailed reasons where the Board differs from the District Superintendent of Police.